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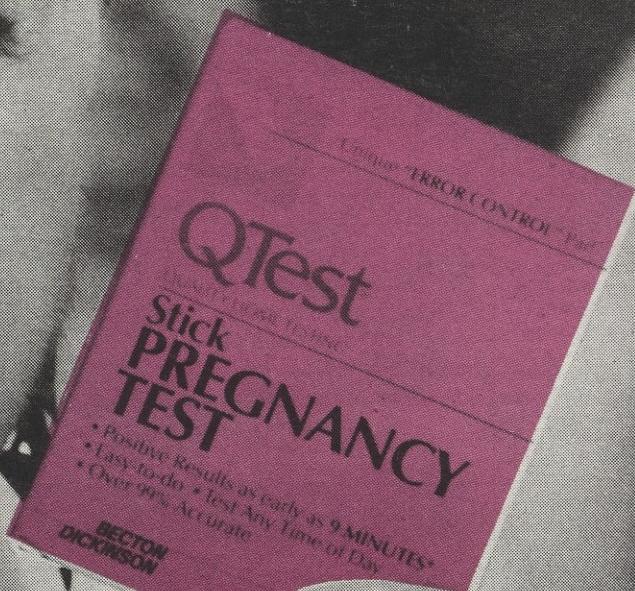
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people become visible in their community and voice their concerns about mistreatment and discrimination, the more people will view the majority of the gay community for what they are: normal, productive, human beings.

Sincerely,
Paulette Jacobson &
Tony Ferrante
Co-authors of
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Jenny Jones missed opportunity

To the editor:

As national speakers and authors on gay and lesbian issues, we feel we should respond to the recent publicity concerning the talk show guest in Auburn Hills, Mich. who shot and killed a male acquaintance who had a crush on him. While concentrating on defending her show, talk show host Jenny Jones missed the opportunity to reflect on what a senseless killing this was and how wrong it was for someone to commit violence against someone simple because they are gay.

It today's society there is a great deal of unreasonable fear of homosexuals. Unfortunately, people are always going to have prejudices, but it needs to be made clear through the media, and from the people who make and enforce our laws, that it is not okay to act on it — either with violence such as the recent killing in Michigan — or with discrimination.

During the 15 years we have been presenting diversity training seminars for corporations and college students, we have found that through personal contact with gays and lesbians and through our book, "Letters From the Closet," homophobia is lessened. We have dedicated our lives to teaching people about gays and lesbians so they can overcome their homophobia. While the story of the Michigan case fresh in your mind, we think this is a good opportunity to remind the public that gays and lesbians are all around us, they are co-workers, accountants, house painters, and even the neighbor next door.

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National owner has donated large sums to anti-gay and fundamentalist far right religious zealots. Local owner Joe Lal destroyed Sac. News & Reviews papers and newstands in 1994 because of Gay & Lesbian personal ads.

Carl's Jr.:

Owner Karl Karcher has donated large sums to anti-gay causes.

Curran, Hitomi Marketing Agency:

Owner Marilyn Curran wrote to MGW and demanded to be taken off the PR mailing list. MGW routinely mails copies of the newspaper to all ad agencies.

Calvary Christian Center:

Rev. Phillip G. Gondeaux is active in hate with Rev. Lou Sheldon.

Lithographics:

16th & J St. Owner refused to work with Joan Greenfield's First Blush Lesbian Greeting Cards.

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The Kaiser Permanente Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Association (KPLGBA) wants your input for Association goals and action plan for 1995 and invites individuals to join the membership. Ellen Riley is the representative for the Valley area covering Sacramento, So. Sacramento, Stockton, Davis, Fresno, Rancho Cordova and Roseville. Acting as a liaison to the Association, Riley will bring you new of past accomplishment, what the organization is striving to accomplish, and take your concerns, interests and priorities to the council. From working the bugs into Domestic Partnership benefits, to arranging social events for networking, your input will influence our direction not only here in the Valley but throughout Kaiser. Info: Ellen Riley, 478-5488, 916-468-5488. The General Membership Meeting will be held Saturday, April 1st at 3-5pm at the Sac site: Morse Ave., Commons Bldg Rm 17. Dinner social to follow at 6pm, RSVP to Ellen Riley. ▼

Symphony and A Shot of Class host benefit for SAF

On April 22, the Sacramento Symphony performance of "A Tribute to Judy Garland" will be a gala benefit for the Sacramento AIDS Foundation. David Ono from KOVR 13 will be the Master of Ceremonies. Proceeds from the dinner, post reception and a portion of the concert tickets will go to the Sacramento AIDS Foundation.

A formal dinner before the concert hosted by A Shot of Class, a symphony ticket

with preferred seating and following the symphony, dessert, dancing to the Big Band sounds, and a martini tasting sponsored by Skyy Vodka are included with a \$125 donation or \$90 if you already have a symphony ticket. The concert and post reception are available for \$70 or \$50 without concert tickets. Dinner begins at 5:30pm followed by 8pm by the concert at the Community Center. Info: 448-2437. ▼

Gary Myerscough says "Hi" from Australia



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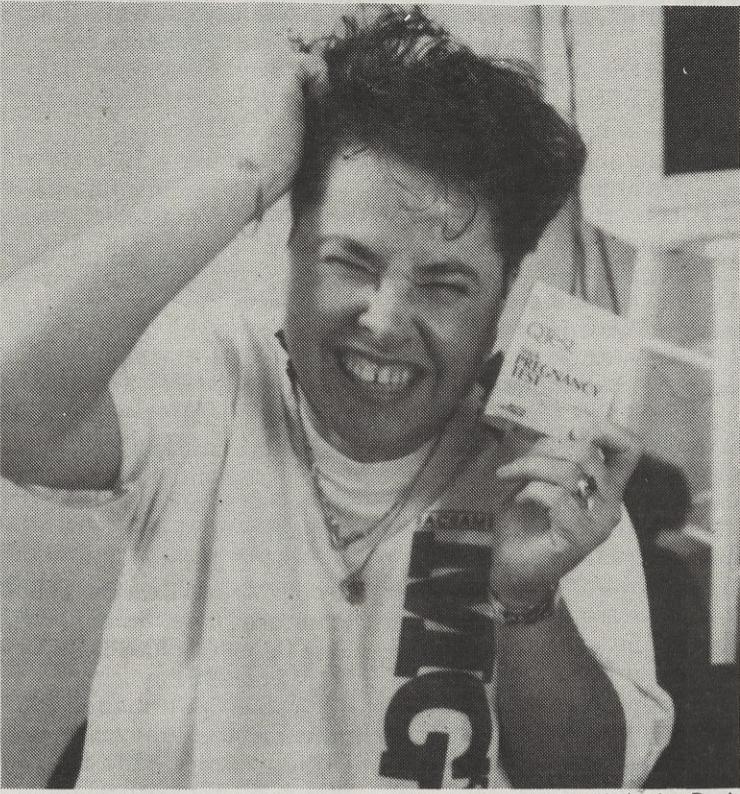
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Mom's Baby Boy
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Publisher Linda Birner pulling her hair out over her new edition!!

MGW/Katharine Davis

Mom Guess What Newspaper's Publisher/Editor Linda D. Birner and Advertising Manager Tom Marks would like to announce the birth of our new brother publication in May.

Dad Guess What Newspaper (DGW) will be published twice monthly on alternating weeks from MGW's 1st and 15th publication schedule.

DGW will be targeted to gay men in Northern California and will be light and social in nature versus the heavier news approach of *MGW*. *DGW* will also be a little sexier and more provocative than our big sister is comfortable publishing.

Features will include local photography; social and bar events, and juicy gossip. *DGW* will also launch our own Free

Voice Personal Phone Meeting System. The Free Voice Personals will also be offered to women in the regular publication *MGW*.

DGW Free Voice Personals will be the only Introduction Line Service in the Sacramento gay/lesbian community that is owned, operated, managed, promoted by and for the gay/lesbian community.

The Free Voice Personals will include Astrology, Relationship Ads, Browse Lines, Couples Seeking Couple Friends, Just Friends, Sport Partners Wanted,

Bi's, Transgender, Missed Connections.

Both *MGW* and *DGW* will contain the Free Voice Personals, and also our new Astrological Phone Lines.

Terry Sidie and FACES are helping *MGW* and *DGW* by giving a "Baby Shower" on May 3, Wednesday, 6-9pm at FACES, 20th & K Street, with Free Voice Personals, Free Terry Bucks for Beverages, and hors d'oeuvres. Everyone is invited to help us kick off *Dad Guess What Newspaper!!!*

If you would like display advertising rates please call Tom Marks at 441-NEWS.▼

Stunning victory in South Dakota ...

Pre-emptive strike against gay marriage defeated

In a victory that South Dakota gay and lesbian activists are calling "miraculous" and history-making," a bill that would have banned same-sex marriages has been defeated in the state legislature.

State Senate sponsors of House Bill 1184, the ban on same-sex marriages, failed to secure enough votes to bring the measure up for a full floor vote. Seventeen senators voted to bring the bill forward, 13 voted against, and five did not vote. Sponsors of the bill needed at least

18 votes for a floor vote. This marks the defeat of the first attempt to ban gay marriage as a pre-emptive strike against a pending Hawaii Supreme Court ruling on that state's same-sex marriage issue. Sponsors of the South Dakota measure, which would have also banned recognition of same-sex marriages performed in other states, indicated their concern about the Hawaii case as justification for the local measure.▼

The history of the South

Dakota bill has been a month-long roller coaster ride for fledgling local activists. Earlier in February, HB 1184, "An Act to prohibit a marriage between persons of the same gender," sailed through the state House, 54-13. At that time there was no local gay and lesbian movement, no statewide gay organization, no identified lobbying allies and no previous history of gay-related legislation coming to the South Dakota legislature.▼

NOW honors legislators



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The American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, comprised of the nation's top 1,500 divorce and matrimonial law attorneys, will hold an interactive teleforum on "What Family Lawyers and Mental Health Professionals Need to Know About Handling a Custody Case — When Your Client is a Gay or Lesbian."

The three-hour teleforum featuring experts, including both lawyers and mental health professionals, will be held at 7 pm EST on April 6. Participants will include key figures in the Virginia case of *Bottoms versus Bottoms*, in which a Lesbian mother was initially denied custody of her son solely on the basis of her homosexuality. The case was argued on February 27 before the Virginia Supreme Court.

Participants to date include: Donald Butler, Richmond, Va., trial counsel for Sharon Lynne Bottoms, the mother; Rochelle Klinger, M.D. and Charlotte Patterson, Ph.D., leading

psychiatric and psychological experts who testified in the case; and Cynthia Greene of Miami, Fla., who wrote the friend-of-the-court brief for the Academy in the Bottoms case. Gerald L. Nissenbaum, Academy president will moderate.

The teleforum will be the first in what is expected to be a series of telefons on family law offered by the Academy, in which participants will be able to listen to presentations, question instructors live and receive information on disk.

Cost of the teleforum is \$155, \$175 including diskettes of material. Those

wishing registration information should fax their name, address, telephone and fax number to 1-800-501-2663 or 1-800-505-4930.

The three-hour teleforum may qualify for continuing legal education credit in some states.

The Fellows of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers are experts in the specialized field of matrimonial law, including divorce, prenuptial agreements, legal separation, annulment, unmarried cohabitants, custody, property valuation and division and support.

The purpose of the Academy is to encourage the study, improve the practice, elevate the standards and advance the cause of matrimonial law. ▼

Gay man murdered after filming Jenny Jones Show

Thursday March 9, a gay man named Scott Amedure was shot to death while he stood unarmed in the doorway of his trailer home. Three days prior to his murder, Amedure appeared as a guest on a segment of the *Jenny Jones Show* focusing on "Secret Admirers." Amedure, who is gay, was invited onto the show to reveal his "secret crush" on another man. That man, John Schmitz, said he was surprised and embarrassed by the public revelation and is currently under arrest for murdering Amedure. According to police, the suspect bought a shotgun and ammunition, went to Amedure's mobile home and shot him twice in the chest after a struggle.

Wire stories, the *Washington Post*, the *New York Times* and National Public Radio commentary have all focused attention on the humiliation faced by talk show guests who are ambushed or surprised on air. This is the same angle taken

by the sheriff's lieutenant in Detroit and by the county prosecutor. This angle, say many local and national

activists, ignore the real issue — one man was murdered last week simply because he was gay.

Community organizations in Michigan will host a candlelight vigil in memory of Scott Amedure on Tuesday, April 4, the date of Schmitz's arraignment. The vigil and speakout against homophobia will be held at the Oakland County Courthouse, 1200 Telegraph in Pontiac, at 7pm. Another

UC group steps up domestic partners benefit campaign

After years of preparatory work, the University of California Lesbian, Gay & Bisexual Association (UCLGBA) is poised to launch the last stage of a long campaign. The principle of domestic partner benefits has attained the support of faculty on all nine UC campuses, the majority of UC Chancellors, and many allied student and staff organizations. The endorsements of the UC Office of the President and the UC Board of Regents must still be secured.

"We are very excited to be at this critical juncture," said John Dixon, UC Davis staff member and UCLGBA Steering Committee Chairperson. "With UC President Peltason soon to retire, it is essential that domestic partner benefits be adopted so that efforts don't have to begin again with a new president."

The current campaign is aimed to generate letters of support from the public to help move the issue up on The Regent's agenda and to educate and persuade members of the Board of Regents to vote for a domestic partners' benefits measure when considered.

UCD Women's Resources and Research Center Librarian Joy Fergoda said "This is a simple matter of justice. It is an issue of equal pay for equal work and is fully in keeping with the University's longstanding policy of non-discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation."

Sacramento area residents are urged to write to the following Regents:

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The Lina Fat Cookbook, Lina Fat with Elaine Corn & Jan Nix, The Crossing Press, Freedom, CA 95019; 159 pages, \$12.95.

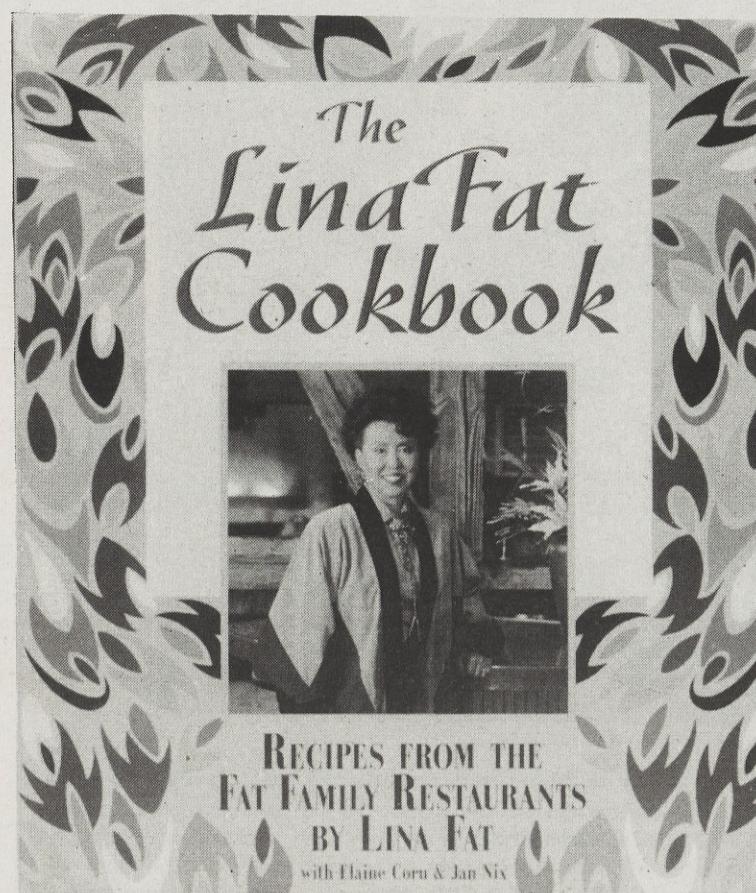
California Cuisine has evolved over the years. Originally based on the freshest ingredients and a blend of various cultures and flavors, it has now become an integrated way most of us eat. Chinese cooking, among my favorites, intrigues and delights with the sprinkling of ginger, soy, spicy, and nutty flavors. It seems so balanced. In Lina Fat's, *The Lina Fat Cookbook*, she explains how she came to love these balances, while simultaneously learning to cook. The story is told of a Chinese immigrant whose first culinary experiment is a Chocolate Flourless Cake gone awry. Although a Dr. of Pharmacy by degree, we learn how Lina entered the restaurant world to become the "matriarch of a Chinese restaurant dynasty in Sacramento."

A dynasty indeed. The Fat family traces its roots in Sacramento restaurateuring, to 1936 when Frank Fat an immigrant from China opened *Frank Fat's* on L Street. Often called by some, "California's Third House", *Frank Fat's* was a favorite gathering place for some of California's most famous politicians.

In opening *China Camp, Fat City, California* Fat's and subsequent restaurants in San Diego, the Fat family, whose creative force is Lina herself, have established themselves as California's, or at the very least Sacramento's, "First Family" when it comes to blending

the styles of east and west cuisine so popular today.

The Lina Fat Cookbook's best part is arguably the first 15 or so pages of introduction. So fascinating is Lina's personal story and how the Fat restaurants came to be. The book reflects the culturally eclectic mix the restaurant menus themselves contain. Such items as, *Smoked Salmon Pizza, Tequila Lime Beef, Lemon Grass Steak, and Chicken Breasts with Curry Sauce* demonstrate Lina's ability to incorporate European (mainly French), American Southwestern, Thai, East Indian, and Chinese cultural styles, among others.



Overall the book is filled with excellent, new ideas for dishes containing unique ingredients. Some of the recipes may be a little tricky for the novice cook, but don't be deterred. I always love

having fun, inspiring cookbooks in my kitchen. Having one so rich in local history only adds to the enjoyment. It's sort of the icing on the chocolate flourless cake. ▼

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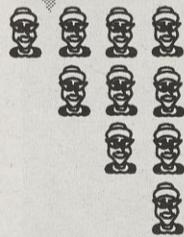
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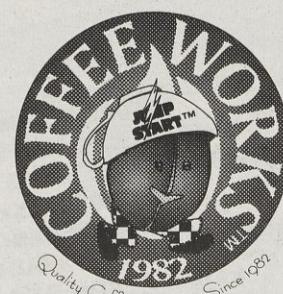
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MEDIA WATCH

by Al Kielwasser
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Jenny Jones

As part of a "Secret Admirers" segment, Scott Amedure — a gay guest — revealed his attraction for another guest (John Schmitz, reported to be heterosexual); three days later, Amedure was shot and killed by the "embarrassed" Schmitz.

Though the horrific murder was widely reported, virtually none of the mainstream media mentioned the work "homophobia." The hate motivation behind the crime went unreported. The press focused instead on the issue of whether or not TV talk shows have become "too trashy."

The print media did an even worse job. The Associated Press report on the murder (March 11), written by Frazier Moore, also side-stepped homophobia. For Moore, the central issue was the morality of the talk show's producers.

The New York Times first reported the story in a small article on March 12th. On March 14th, *The Times* ran a front page article that made a brief reference to the murder itself, and then went on to question the integrity of talk shows in general.

According to the U.S. Department of Justice, lesbians and gay men are probably the most frequent victims of hate violence in this country. The National Gay & Lesbian Task Force reports that, in 1994 alone, at least 59 lesbian and gay individuals lost their lives in bias-motivated murders.

Contact your local network-affiliates; ask these television stations to cover the real story — now, and in the future. Also, write to the Associated Press, 50 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, NY 10020, tel. 212-621-1500; Joseph Lelyveld, Executive Editor, *The New York Times*, 229 West 43rd Street, New York, NY 10036; Reuters America, 1700 Broadway, New York, NY 10019, tel. 213-603-3401. ▼

Special writes

The Evergreen Chronicles (a journal of gay and lesbian

arts and cultures) plans to publish special issues on youth, featuring "the words of queer youth along with the words of adults who work with queer youth." Inquiries: raff0003@gold.tc.umn.edu. Deadline: July 1. ▼

Rock n' role models?

Having FINALLY decided to come out as bisexual (or at least "sexually ambiguous"), R.E.M. lead singer Michael Stipe recently went on tour to Singapore. In his press



interviews, however, Stipe remembered to praise the country but forgot to mention that gay male sex is punishable by life imprisonment in Singapore. Queer performers might take advantage of their privileged media access in order to draw much-needed attention to homophobia around the globe. Encouragement can be sent to Michael Stipe, R.E.M. Box 8032, Athens, GA 30603. ▼

Snapple snaps to it

Snapple is among those companies that have seen the error of their ways. Until recently, the company was among the chief sponsors of the Rush Limbaugh Show. Snapple has pulled its support from Limbaugh. The company will not publicly state that Limbaugh's attacks on lesbian and gay men had anything to do with the decision. Comments: Michele MacMahon, Consumer Affairs Snapple Corp., 1500 Hempstead Tpk., Box 9400, East Meadow, NY 11554-9400, tel. 800-235-2929, fax

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Multimedia activism

Conduct Unbecoming, Randy Shilts' book about gays in the U.S. military, has been released as a new CD-ROM. The interactive disc extends Shilts' text with a filmed segment and an "e-Post" program, which will print, fax or e-mail "automatic" letters to the reader's local Congresspersons. The CD version also includes photographs (from childhood through adult life) of the gays and lesbians chronicled in Shilts' book, prompting

reviewer Patricia Holt to observe: "It's hard to look at a person's baby pictures and think of him or her as the enemy within." ▼

MTV's queer beat

The February 2 broadcast featured a segment on Queer Punk, "a new breed of proudly gay punk bands making a big noise these days." The segment highlighted the music of groups: Pansy Division, Chainsaw Kittens, and Fifth Column (an all-lesbian band). The segment included interviews with members of Pansy Division and Green Day, as

well as commentary from a writer for *Interview* magazine. According to Ray Rogers of *Interview*, "Queer Punk is just a general term, but it is basically out queer people making music that they love for themselves, for the queer audience - singing about their issues, what's important to them. They are like, right on, we're queer, we're out there, we rock." Encourage MTV to continue covering queers in music. Send compliments to Viewer Dept., MTV Networks, Inc., 1515 Broadway, New York NY 10036; 212-258-8710, fax 212-258-8718, e-mail mtvnews@aol.com. ▼

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FOCUS ON YOUTH

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Cruising the information superhighway

by Jennifer L. Selig
MGW/Youth Editor

This is the first in a series of stories about on-line services especially for gay, lesbian, and bisexual youth. Much of the focus for the series will be on services offered by America Online, simply because it is the largest online service with well over 2 million members, and it is the one this editor uses at home, though there are many others, all with their places for gays and lesbians.

If you haven't taken your mouse out for a drive on the Information Superhighway yet, you're in for quite a surprise: it is one of the most amazing pick-up places for us gaylesbianbisexualtranssexualcrossgendered folks. And I mean pick-up in the broadest of ways; yes, pick-up as in the people-meeting way (it puts the classified ads in The Sacramento News and Review to shame!), but I also mean pick-up as in community information, support, connections of all sorts, resources--you name it, and it's going on online somewhere. It's what the gay bar or the women's bookstores have been for some of us, with two major exceptions: it can be anonymous, and you never have to leave the comfort of your home.

Now, if you're a gay teenager struggling with your sexuality, do you get how those two things can make a world of difference? All you have to do is go to your computer, turn it on and dial up the vehicle you use to access the highway (like Prodigy, America Online, Delphi, Genie, etc.), press a few icons and within seconds you are in a gay-friendly, gay-safe, gay-rich place, and no one has to know. You can exit with one or two clicks of the mouse, taking no prisoners and leaving no paper trail.

The gay online world is a bustling community with many places to visit and people to meet. There are bulletin boards where people post letters and respond to them, there are rooms where live chats are occurring, there are files and files of flyers and articles and community news information that you can read and/or download onto your computer, there are online support groups and interest groups and discussion groups galore. Anonymity is easy; if your parents don't know you are gay, you explain your online time

more about colleges in the College Board Handbook (all places you can access on America Online).

Say you're isolated and don't know any gay people, or have any gay friends. That can change online in minutes: you could go into

their keyboards as well. You can "listen" in on the conversation as it scrolls past you on the screen, or you join in and "talk." If you meet someone you like, you can agree to meet in a private room at any given time for a one-on-one conversation, or you can send e-mail letters back and forth that no one can read unless they have your password. Want sex? You can get that too, if you count the mutual caressing of computer keys and believe that words can speak louder than actions. It's certainly as safe as sex gets.

Or, if live talk is too much for you yet, you can



away by saying you were asking a teacher for help with your homework (there really are teacher's online available for advice on homework!) or researching at the Library of Congress, or looking up a topic in Grolier's Encyclopedia, or you were finding out one of the many public "rooms" available, with easy to recognize names such as "BiTeenFems" and "Under20M4M", and you can instantly be in the presence of up to 32 other teenagers just like you, sitting home at

browse bulletin board "folders" on topics such as "Being a Gay Teen in a Gay Family", "Baby Dykes", or "New to and Young Bisexuals". Braver yet, you can write a response to someone's letter, or you can post one yourself. Want to know why gay people drive around with rainbow stickers on their cars? Just write an inquiry, post it in the appropriate folder, and within a day, you will have an answer back to your question. Advice on how to come out to your

parents? Ask, and ye shall receive, probably more opinions than you ever hoped to have.

I'm telling you, it's big. At the risk of sounding hyperbolic, the term "Information Superhighway" probably isn't big enough for it. It's a whole new world, a gay new world, and the implications for all of us, especially for our youth, are mind-blowing.

In future columns in this series on computer online services, we will explore in more detail the issues, ethics, and implications of the Information Superhighway, particularly as they pertain to youth. ▼

For those who have never traveled the highway

There are a variety of online services, such as America Online and Prodigy, and most offer at least limited access to the Internet. All you need is a phone line, a computer with a modem, and the necessary software to run the program, and you can hook in. The cost is relatively inexpensive: American Online, for example, costs \$9.95 a month and includes five free hours each month, with every hour after that billed at the rate of \$2.95. This also allows you access to the Internet and the capability to e-mail anyone with an e-mail address. Free America Online software can be obtained by a written request to this youth editor, or for sale at any computer store (approximately \$25.00 with a book). ▼

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NEWS CLIPS

by Anne Chambers
MGW/Staff

KFC accused of racist, anti-gay actions

Gay and lesbian activists have joined African-American civil rights leaders in protesting alleged racial and homophobic discriminatory practices at KFC in Louisville, KY. Robert Bray of NGLTF feels that the KFC case is very similar to that of the Cracker Barrel which he helped break four years ago when employees were being fired for their sexual orientation. The Justice Resource Center (JRC) is demanding that KFC implement fair hiring and promotional practices. The JRC has organized an April 1 city-wide picket. To protest the treatment of KFC workers call 1-800-CALLKFC. ▼

Lavendar Smokefree Network funded by state grant

Two San Francisco-based organizations announced the creation of the California Lavender Smokefree Network to oppose the increased targeting by the tobacco industry of the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered (LGBT) communities. The Coalition of Lavender-Americans on Smoking and Health (CLASH) and Community Focus were awarded a \$200,000 two-year grant by the Tobacco Control Section of the California Department of Health Services under a grant from Proposition 99, the Tobacco Tax Health Protection Act of 1988 to implement the Network. This is the first statewide grant from this fund ever awarded to a project that focuses on the LGBT communities. Info: (415) 956-1811. ▼

Court strikes measure from ballot

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sexual orientation. Circuit Judge Manuel Menendez reaffirmed his ruling of late last week that the wording of the referendum was illegally changed from the language circulated on petitions by the American Family Association of Florida, a far-right organization based on Tampa. "This entire campaign, including this ruling, is a victory for the citizens of Tampa," said Nadine Smith, campaign manager for CFT. "Across the city, people have sent a strong message to the AFA that its agenda of discrimination is not welcome in Tampa." ▼

Don't Panic! Designs opens first store in Australia

Don't Panic Designs', apparel and accessories maker -- whose sales topped \$3 million last year -- announced it has opened a store in Sydney, Australia. The announcement comes as Sydney wraps up the world's largest annual queer celebration, Gay Mardi Gras, February 24-28. Painted bright red, and soon to have a huge *Don't Panic!* logo on its slanted roof, *DP! Sydney* is a close neighbor of Sydney's Albery Pub, a well-known gay bar. *DP! Sydney* is located at 84 Oxford street, Paddington, NSW 2021; Phone: 331-6224; Fax: 360-3959. ▼

DC's celebration of gay & lesbian films, accepting submissions

One in Ten is now accepting submissions for *Reel Affirmations 5: DC's 5th Annual Celebration of Gay & Lesbian Films*, which will run from October 12-22 in Washington, DC. *Reel Affirmations* is the fourth largest gay and lesbian film festival in the U.S., both in terms of audience size and the number of films screened. Films and videos must be by and/or about lesbian/gay/bisexual/transgender people,

seeking features, shorts, documentaries, experimental and animated works in 35mm or 16mm film, 1/2" or 3/4" video formats. Deadline: Friday, June 16, 1995. Info: One in Ten 1555 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 200 Washington, DC 20036. ▼

tion on the show after Amedure's revelation, but the anti-gay bigotry and homophobia in our society. In 1994, 59 gay and lesbian people were killed in bias-motivated murders, says Kane. ▼



Louganis in S.F.

Greg Louganis signs autographs after speaking with youth and staff at the Hetrick-Martin Institute, the nation's oldest and largest social service education and advocacy for lesbian, gay and bisexual youth and their families.

Gay talk show guest murdered

Three days after appearing on the Jenny Jones Show and revealing his crush on a straight male acquaintance, Scott Amedure was shot to death by the "surprised and humiliated" straight man who was the object of his crush. The sheriff's department, according to the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, seems to be excusing the deadly actions of the assailant, confessed murderer John Schmitz, due to his embarrassment over a gay man publicly admitting he had a crush on him. Although talk shows often overstep the bounds of decency (and safety) in their quest for ratings, Robin Kane of NGLTF feels that the real reason for Amedure's murder was not just John Schmitz's embarrassment and humilia-

Christian TV host may be charged with libel

"Don't be a homo," was the message sent to television viewers watching Bob Enyart broadcasting the AIDS-related death of a gay man on the Christian-run KVHD in Colorado. A report from the Associated Press quoted in the Philadelphia Gay News states that during the TV program Enyart showed a photograph of a gay man who died of complications related to AIDS. Below the picture of James Bybee was the caption, "ex-sodomite." The Arapahoe County DA has investigators looking at the show and is considering accusing Bob Enyart of criminal libel. Enyart claims the obituary was used to show that gay men die young. ▼

Plague of locusts cast on cult that "cures" gays

Exodus International, a SF group that claims to have "cured" 100,000 gay and lesbians over the last twenty years was targeted recently by the SF Lesbian Avengers, five of whom invaded the group's headquarters. The Avengers chanted "Exodus, stop your hate and fear! Help like yours is killing queers!" The activists then shouted, "We don't need to be cured!" and released 1,000 crickets (locusts). According to the report in the Seattle Gay News, one of the Exodus staff members dialed 911 and declared, "There are Lesbians here with bugs!" The Avengers left the premises before the police, after being convinced of the sincerity of the call, arrived at the scene. The demonstration was described in the report as being part of a wider campaign being waged against the Christian Right by the Avengers. ▼

Hate crimes bill to be introduced by republicans

Two bills that could lower the number of hate crimes committed against lesbians and gay men are expected to be introduced by PA Republican legislators. Previous attempts to enact similar legislation in PA have been unsuccessful but there is optimism this time because of support being provided by Republicans. The bills would impose more fines and additional prison sentences against persons who are convicted of violent crimes based on the perceived or actual sexual orientation of the victim, according to a report in the Philadelphia Gay News. ▼

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LOCAL NEWS

AT&T LEAGUE to celebrate policy banning discrimination at national meeting in S.F.

Lesbian, Bisexual and Gay Employees United at AT&T (LEAGUE) will mark the 20th anniversary of the company's policy banning discrimination based on sexual orientation at its fourth national conference here April 5 through 8. More than 400 AT&T employees are expected to take part in the three-day professional development conference which will focus on workplace issues for gay, lesbian and bisexual employees. Theme for the conference is "Building Bridges." The conference is a professional development opportunity embracing diversity, promoting personal growth, creating new partnership, and stimulating positive action in the AT&T global community.

Conference co-chairs Lynn Jones and Al Parso noted that in 1975 AT&T was the first large company to adopt an employment policy ban on discrimination based on sexual orientation. Guest speakers for the conference include Dr. Mel White, Dean of the Cathedral of Hope, Dallas; Patricia Nell Warren, best selling author (including *The Front Runner*); Deborah Johnson-Rolan, nationally acclaimed speaker and trainer, and AT&T Senior Vice President-Human

Resources, Hal Burlingame. Workshop topics include issues affecting lesbians, gays and bisexuals; diversity; health and well-being; community involvement and business linkages. LEAGUE is an educational and support group that addresses workplace environment issues affecting employees or their families, friends or colleagues who are lesbian, bisexual or gay. The organization has more than 2,000 active members in 28 chapters nationwide. ▼

New name, new office and a 1995 theme chosen in the 25th year of San Francisco Pride

The general membership voted 24-1 to change the name of the corporation from the San Francisco Lesbian/Gay Freedom Day Parade and Celebration Committee to the San Francisco Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual/Transgender Pride Celebration Committee.

"The decision is the result of two years of discussion among members of the Parade Committee and the community, and I think it is an important step forward in acknowledging the diversities within our own communities," said Committee President Robert Allen.

The Parade Committee will be moving their corporate office to Fox Plaza at 1390 Market St., #1225. The

phone number and mailing address remain unchanged: 584 Castro St., #513, S.F., CA 94114; 415-864-FREE.

The theme will be "A World Without Borders". This theme was suggested by a coalition of queer individuals, including Eloise Magenheim and Tommi Avicolli Mecca, who worked to fight the anti-immigration Proposition 187. This theme promotes the idea that as long as there are borders in the world, whether political or social, there will be discrimination, and reflects an effort to draw parallels between the significant issues addressed as a result of the passage of Prop. 187 and the struggles which have taken place within our

various communities over the last 25 years. This theme is particularly relevant in light of the fact that our event occurs during the month long celebration of

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Les Risinger roasted



MGW/Katharine Davis

Twenty-nine guests "roasted" Risinger with renditions of their favorite memories (all of which were completely untrue and outlandish in order to make the event more fun! Eppie's was inundated with calls throughout the evening by well-wishers from the midwest calling to wish Les a happy birthday. This was a celebration of his 50th birthday.

Over Our Heads



MGW/Katharine Davis

The improvisational comedy group, Over Our Heads — Karen Ripley, Teresa Chandler, Marian Damon, and Annie Larson, entertained the packed SACWN audience at their recent appearance at the Red Lion Inn.

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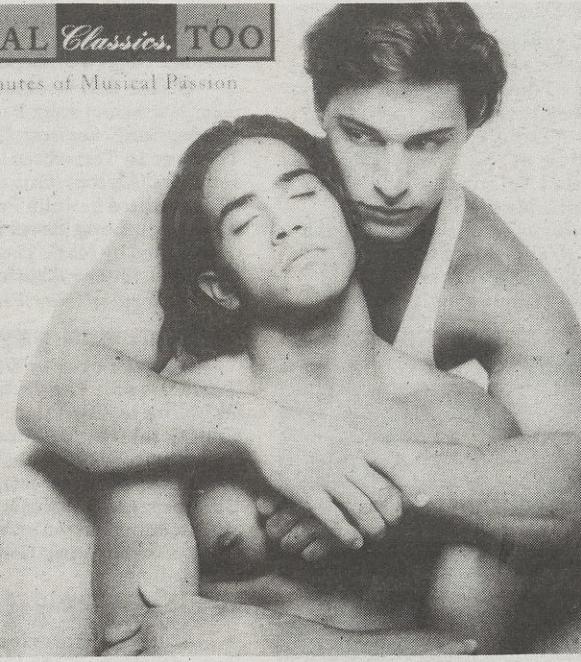
In February, Teldec continued its Sensual Classics series with the issue of the Sensual Classics, Too, which is believed to be the first album of its type, classical or pop, created in the United States specifically for gay audiences.

This lp, a collection of orchestral favorites, features on its cover a photo of two men in an intimate embrace. According to Kevin Cops, Senior Vice President of the classical music marketing division of Atlantic Records, the disk came about while the marketing department was discussing the success of a similar set of albums, featuring photo covers of straight couples in intimate moments. Cops explained, "four of us in the office are gay; it was only natural that the idea for an alternate version would surface. The purpose is not to eradicate homophobia - wouldn't it be wonderful if a single record could accomplish that - it is simply to acknowledge the gay audience and openly address them as consumers on their own terms."

Ironically, the lp opens

rumors circulated that he in fact had committed suicide because his affair with the nephew of a Russian prince

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with the second movement of Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto Number 1. After Tchaikovsky's death in 1893

allegedly ended his life. A lack of "substantial evidence" has scholars debating the validity of the claims of

Tchaikovsky's sexuality. The concerto is beautifully lyrical, and a well chosen opener for a disk of sensual music.

The disk also features the music of Beethoven, Mozart, Shostakovich, Brahms, Chopin, Dvorak, Schubert,

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BOOKS

Point of no return

by Anne Chambers

MGW/Staff

Getting to the Point, by Teresa Stores. Tallahassee: The Naiad Press, Inc., 1995, 238 pp., \$10.95 paperback.

Point Will, Georgia. The small, southern town where she grew up keeps calling Dix back each time she faces a crisis in her life. Dix's mother claims to still love her despite her announcement on a previous visit that she is gay, but her father will no longer speak to her and ignores her presence completely. Her beloved grandmother has been carefully sheltered from Dix's announcement by the rest of the family.

This time when Dix returns to The Point it is to spend the summer there helping to care for her dying grandmother, while at the same time trying to decide whether she wants to continue her relationship with her lover, Sarah. When Sarah shows up a few days later expecting to stay with her, Dix soon finds herself with some not entirely

prejudices of her family and the community.

Having grown up in a series of foster homes and thus never having had a real family of her own, Sarah is unsure about many aspects of family life. Her sudden immersion in Dix's family,

combined with her aversion to following rules of "socially acceptable behavior," causes her to be the catalyst in some unique situations. Her efforts to help Dix see her "good old boy" father as he really is and her attempts to push Dix to confront her

family's homophobic attitude will have readers flipping the pages to see what law of Southern behavior will be broken next.▼

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Cultural Revolution by Norman Wong (Persea Books); **American Studies** by Mark Merlin (Houghton Mifflin); **Folding Star** by Alan Hollinghurst (Pantheon); **Sacred Lips of the Bronx** by Doug Sadownick (St. Martin's Press); **Nightswimmer** by Joseph Olshan (Simon & Schuster).

Lesbian mystery

Case of the Good-For-Nothing Girlfriend by Mabel Maney (Cleis); **Small Sacrifice** by Ellen Hart (Seal); **Sister's Keeper** by Randye Lordon (St. Martin's); **Body Guard** by Claire McNab (Naiad); **My Sweet Untraceable You** by Sandra Scopettone (Little Brown).

Gay men's mystery

Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil by John Berendt (Random House); **Mad Man** by Samuel Delaney (Richard Kasak); **The Alienist** by Caleb Carr (Random House); **Mask for a Diva** by Grant Michaels (St. Martin's); **Queer Kind of Love** by George Baxt (Otto Penzler).

Lesbian Poetry

Winter Numbers by Marilyn Hacker (Norton); **American Dreams** by Sapphire (Serpent's Tail); **Haruko/Love Poems** by June Jordan (Serpent's Tail); **Normal Sex** by Linda Smukler (Firebrand); **White Pine** by Mary Oliver (Random House).

Gay men's poetry

Collected Poems by Thom Gunn (FSG); **The Other Man Was Me** by Raphael Campo (Arte Publico); **Ghost Letters** by Richard McCann (Alice James Books); **Wishing for Wings** by Assotto Saint (Galilei Press); **West of Yesterday, East of Summer** by Paul Monette (St. Martin's).

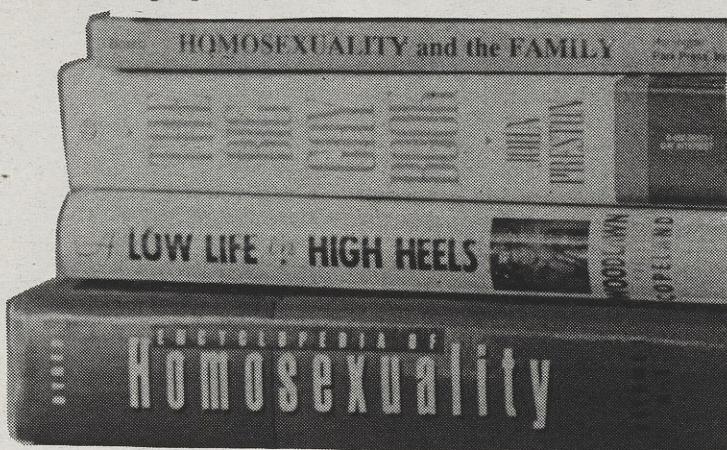
Lesbian studies

Skin by Dorothy Allison (Firebrand); **My American History** by Sarah Schulman (Routledge); **Chloe Plus Olivia** edited by Lillian Faderman (Viking); **Sportsdykes**

Loathing by David Feinberg (Viking).

Lesbian biography/autobiography

Serving in Silence, Col. Margarethe Cammermeyer and Chris Fisher (Viking); **One Art: Letters** by Elizabeth Bishop (FSG); **The Power and the Passion of M. Carey Thomas** by Helen Lefkowitz Horowitz (Knopf); **Memoir of a Race Traitor** by Mab Segrest (South End); **Gertrude Stein: In Words and Pictures** edited by Renate Stendhal (Algonquin Books)



Books

Gay men's biography/autobiography

Last Watch of the Night by Paul Monette (Harcourt Brace); **My Life as a Pornographer** by John Preston; **Knowing When to Stop** by Ned Rorem (Simon & Schuster); **My Own Country** by Abraham Verghese (Simon & Schuster); **Confessions of a Jewish Wagnerite** by Lawrence Mass

(Cassel).

Lesbian and gay anthologies/fiction

Chloe Plus Olivia edited by Lillian Faderman (Viking); **Men on Men 5** edited by David Bergman (Plume); **High Risk 2** edited by Ira Silverberg and Amy Scholder (Plume); **The Very Inside** edited by Sharon Lim-Him (Sister Vision); **Lavender Mansions** edited by Irene Zahava (Westview Press).

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Lesbian and gay humor

Barrel Fever by David Sedaris (Little Brown); **The Dyke and the Dkybbuk** by Ellen Galford (Seal); **Unofficial Gay MANual** by Kevin Dilallo and Jack Krumholtz (Doubleday/Main Street); **Glamourpuss** by Christian McLaughlin (Dutton); **Case of the Good-For-Nothing Girlfriend** by Mabel Maney.

Lesbian and gay drama

Angels in America: Perestroika by Tony Kushner (TCG); **Jeffrey** by Paul Rudnick (Plume); **The Night Larry Kramer Kissed Me** by David Drake (Anchor); **Heroes and Saints & Other Plays** by Cherrie Moraga (West End Press); **Second Coming of Joan of Arc** by Carolyn Gage (HerBooks).

Lesbian and gay SF/Fantasy

Trouble and Her Friends by Melissa Scott (Tor); **The Furies** by Suzy McKee Charnas (Tor); **Metal Angel** by Nancy Springer (ROC Fantasy); **Storm Warning** by Mercedes Lackey (Daw); **Warriors of Isis** by Jean Stewart (Rising Sun).

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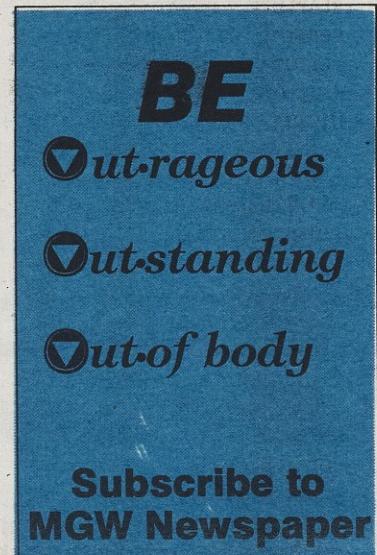
B-Boy Blues by James Earl Hardy (Alyson); **Her Tongue on My Theory** by Kiss & Tell (Press Gang); **Skin** by Dorothy Allison (Firebrand); **We Came All The Way From Cuba So You Could Dress Like This?** by Achy Obejas (Cleis); **American Dreams** by Sapphire (Serpent's Tail)

Children's/young adult

2 Teenagers in 20 edited by Ann Heron (Alyson); **Am I Blue?** edited by Marion Dane Bauer (HarperChildren's); **Dive** by Stacey Donovan (Dutton Children's); **Oscar Wilde** by Scott Nunokawa (Chelsea House); **Tiger Flowers** by Patricia Quinlan (Dial Books).

Photography/visual arts

Family by Nancy Andrews (HarperSanFrancisco); **Out in America** by Out Magazine (Viking Studio); **Masked Culture** by Jack Kugelmass (Columbia University Press); **Long Road to Freedom** edited by Mark Thompson (St. Martin's); **Art of the Male Nude** by Jim French (State of Man). ▀



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The Sacramento Symphony performs Friday/Saturday, April 14/15 at 8pm at the Community Center Theater in a concert featuring Marin Alsop, an open lesbian and one of America's most sought after Guest Conductors. Also appearing with the orchestra will be Violinist Eugene Fodor, who will perform Lalo's *Symphonie Espagnole*. In addition, program highlights include the *Russian Easter Overture*, by Rimsky-Korsakov, and Copland's *Symphony No. 3*.

In 1989 Marin Alsop became the first woman to receive the Koussevitzky Conducting Prize. Since then she has quickly gained a reputation as one of America's finest young conductors. Most recently, Alsop was appointed to the new position of Creative Conductor Chair of the Saint Louis Symphony Orchestra, starting with the 1996-97 season. Alsop also has assumed the Music Directorship of the Colorado Symphony, where she has been serving as Principal Pops Conductor since March of 1993. She is also the Music Director of the Cabrillo Music Festival, and Oregon's Festival of American Music. A champion of American music, Alsop founded Concordia in 1984, and under her leadership, Concordia has showcased over 67 American composers in 140 works including 35 premieres. Concordia's debut recording on Angel Records features the world premiere recording of Gershwin's chamber opera, *Blue Monday*.

At the end of 1995-96 season, Alsop will relinquish her responsibilities as Music Director of the Eugene Symphony and the Long Island Philharmonic, after six very successful years with both organizations.

As a guest conductor, Alsop has appeared with the Philadelphia Orchestra, the National Symphony in Washington D.C., the New York Philharmonic, the Los Angeles Philharmonic, the Cincinnati Symphony, the Atlanta Symphony, the St. Louis Symphony, the Minnesota Orchestra, the Milwau-



kee Symphony, the Boston Pops, the Louisville Orchestra, the San Antonio Symphony, the Rochester Philharmonic, the San Jose Symphony, the Buffalo Philharmonic, the Florida Symphony, the Omaha Symphony, the Florida Philharmonic, the Vancouver Symphony, and the Quebec Symphony. Ms. Alsop made her European debut at the 1993 Schleswig-Holstein

Festival, conducting the music of her mentor Leonard Bernstein. Engagements next season include debuts with the Atlanta Symphony and the National Symphony in Washington D.C.

In 1988 and 1989, Alsop was awarded the Leonard Bernstein Conducting Fellowship at the Tanglewood Music Center where she studied with Mr. Bernstein, Seiji Ozawa, and Gustav Meier. In 1989, she was a prize-winner in the Leopold Stokowski Conducting Competition sponsored by the American Symphony Orchestra.

An avid jazz violinist, Alsop is the Founder and leader of "String Fever", a 14-piece swing band that is featured on a recently released CD, "Fever Pitch", on the Koch International label.

Alsop is a native New Yorker, attended Yale University, and received her Master's Degree from The Juilliard School.

Info: 449-6950. Single tickets for the Friday/Saturday, April 14/15 concert range from \$10-\$47.50, Community Center Theater Box Office, 264-5181, BASS Ticket Outlets 923-BASS. ▼



ENTERTAINMENT

From "Dancing Queen" to her own woman

reviewed by Stefan Grünwedel
MGW/Staff

Muriel's Wedding. A film by P.J. Hogan. Starring Toni Collette and Rachel Griffiths.

If it weren't as funny as it is, *Muriel's Wedding* might be just too maudlin to enjoy. Luckily for us, this film about a young woman's deeply rooted yearning and personal transformation is intelligent enough to make it worth seeing.

To the film's credit, this girl does not crave unreachable goals, nor does she submit to what's expected of her to be successful. She maintains her dignity throughout and emerges a much better person as a result.

Muriel (played with astonishing dexterity by Toni Collette) yearns to be like the "Dancing Queen" in the song of her favorite band, ABBA. She wants a wedding, yet she has never gone out of her way to meet a boyfriend, let alone any husband material. She wants to be respected, yet her snobbish friends call her an "embarrassment" and her bullying father ridicules her every chance he gets—especially in public.

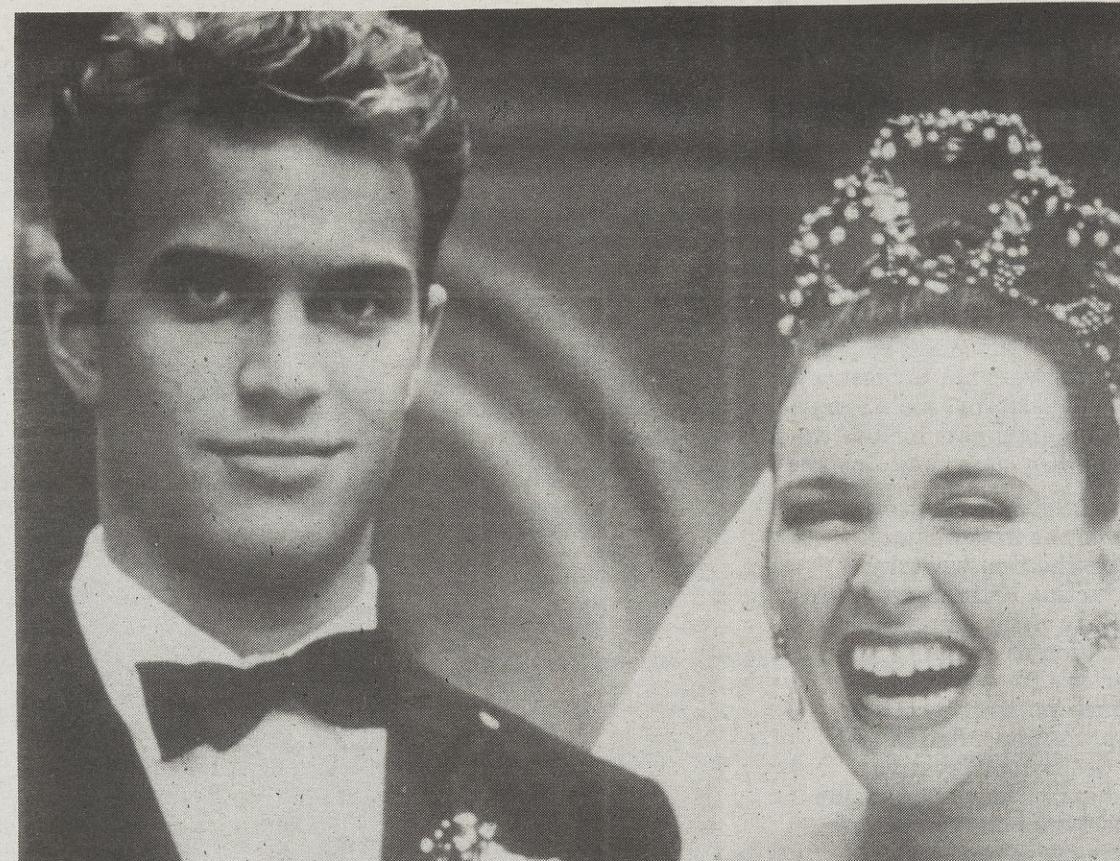
Muriel's "problem" is that she's ugly and incompetent: she's overweight, carries a vacant expression, and—fresh from secretarial school—cannot even type. It doesn't help her that she stems from a family of sluggish characters.

What she needs is a real friend, whom she meets while crashing her friends' vacation at an expensive resort. Rhonda (Griffiths), an exuberant friend from her past, bumps into her and soon they're fast friends. Together they snub the snobs, escape the confines of their small town (named, appropriately enough, Porpoise Spit), and head for the big city.

The good thing about Rhonda is that she's so sure of herself, so together, that Muriel cannot help but feel secure enough to come out of her shell. What emerges is a surprisingly confident, attractive, and resourceful young woman.

So resourceful is she, that she finds a way to fulfill her desire to have a wedding without actually having to find a man she wants to marry and live with forever.

Her new, big-city life with its grand plans doesn't come without its challenges, however. In a lesser film,



Muriel (Toni Collette) snags her humorless "husband," David (Daniel Lapaine), in P.J. Hogan's comedy, *Muriel's Wedding*.

Rhonda's later illness and the mental breakdown of Muriel's mother would be played out as tragedies befitting an ungrateful

daughter. For once, they're seen as the tragic situations that they are, but without moral baggage. Muriel simply deals with them admirably.

She secures her place in the family, on her terms, and is determined to include Rhonda in her life. Not a bad start at a new life. ▼

Father does know best

reviewed by Stefan Grünwedel
MGW/Staff

The Sum of Us. Directed by Kevin Dowling and Geoff Burton. Starring Jack Thompson and Russell Crowe.

This film appears at first to be the gay community's dream movie: a father not only knows about his son's homosexuality, but actively promotes it! While the film is certainly gay-positive, it almost seems intended more for a straight audience than a gay one. This attitude is evidenced by the frequent asides to the camera (and thus the viewers). While this trick has worked in other films, it seems out of place in this comedy. These monologues are serious—mainly wry observations or gay-positive messages to straight skeptics. As such, they tend to interrupt the carefree tone of the rest of the movie. However, it must be hoped that someone (especially an unsure adult) will learn something positive about gays and lesbians from this father's well-meaning remarks.

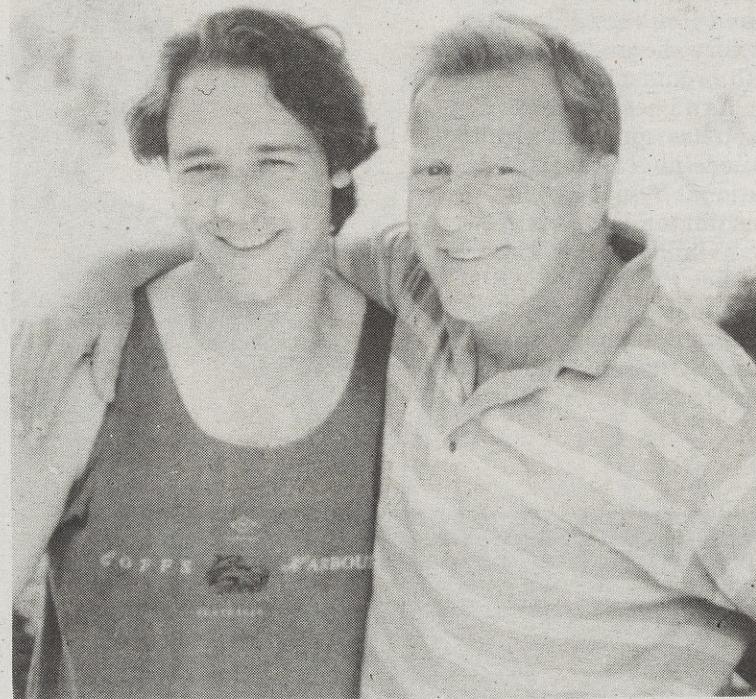
The preaching aside, *The Sum of Us* is an amusing look at an intriguing what-if family situation: what if our parents gave us the kind of encouragement towards dating and relationships that they give our straight siblings? Looking at this film, we might wish they'd just leave us alone!

Harry (Thompson) is fascinated with the homosexuality of his son, Jeff (Crowe). Although perhaps disappointed that he won't have (at least naturally born) grandchildren, this doesn't stop him from loving Jeff and being there for him.

Of course, the comedy stems from his constantly being there for Jeff. Even when the son brings home a friend, Greg (John Polson), the father wants to socialize,

aside from his manly build. These are typical Aussie blokes; not especially "queer."

Still, it's lucky for audiences that these two like each other's company: we get rewarded by some real kissing!



Russell Crowe (left) plays the gay son of Jack Thompson (right) in the comedy *The Sum of Us*.

serve them tea, and generally make himself an endearing nuisance. He succeeds extraordinarily well at this.

While the situations presented are comedic enough, they are somewhat two-dimensional. The pervading manliness gets in the way. Back slaps, bear hugs, sex-effused talk, and chugs of beer suffice for father-son bonding. Each expresses his genuine feelings about the other only to the audience.

It's also hard to see what Jeff finds attractive about Greg,

We also are privy to a sentimental, and tragic, look into the past at Jeff's grandmother, who in her later years impressed him as a child with natural displays of affection for another woman. This backgrounder would make an interesting film of its own.

It seems endemic to this sort of film that someone will get seriously ill, thereby posing a challenge to the other character. At least it's

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ENTERTAINMENT

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reviewed by Lou Camera
MGW/Staff

Sacramento Theatre Company *Uncle Bends: a home-cooked negro narrative* adds a new twist to the term "food for thought." Consistently known for delivering theatrical productions which enrich the mind, STC now provide nourishment for the body, along with the former. While Uncle Bend stirs up stories of the African American experience he also is stirring up a big pot of rice and beans which he shares with the audience at the end of the performance.

Uncle Bends: a home-cooked negro narrative was written, developed and features Bob Devin Jones in this world premiere presentation which runs through May 28th. There is a special magic when an author with Mr. Jones outstanding acting talent has the opportunity of breathing life into his written word. Jones as the "story-teller" takes on the persona of the person telling the story and, as he explains in the opening lines, we are "... just gonna step into these narratives and let 'em flow with us and in us - get ourselves to that other knowingness." Skillfully written, the narratives quickly transport us through a time portal. Jones takes us on a wonderful journey mixed with the blues and folk humor aided by the bottle-neck guitar work of Harley White, who is well known in this area as a member of the SAMMIE award winning band, Papa's Culture.

In his program notes,

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not the son; it's the father. What an ironic twist: not all fathers will have to take care of their AIDS-afflicted sons.

In *The Sum of Us* this situation is not particularly sappy. It allows the father and son to secure their friendship (not that it was ever in trouble), and it even hints at favorable things to come between Jeff and Greg in the future—besides Jeff's father! This is one unabashedly optimistic movie. ▼

playwright Jones gives us some insight on the thoughts behind his work. "I would like to invite you to spend a couple of wise hours with some passionate and satirical home folk, 'porch talkers,' who will share a little nutrition for the heart and soul. Friend with these African American elders — ancestors who found the strength to 'bend' yet not break under the menace that was slavery. 'Uncles' who seasoned the lives of those around them with the salt of humor. 'Aunties' who held up more than half the sky and made themselves more, much more, than pillow in the care of a race of people whose invitation to these shores promised little joy." Jones' writing is semi-poetic throughout the work and blends folk wisdom and blues singing in a way that makes you want to take your shoes off and set a spell in the rocker.

An aged A'nt Tannie shows a wonderful acceptance, in spite of cultural barriers, of a special friendship with two new men in the congregation, even after it becomes evident that they are "not apt to be pickin' any of the young ladies flowers. A tear comes to her eye as she talks about the memory blanket bigger than five football fields up in Washington.

Uncle Bends: a home-cooked negro narrative is a must see. The bowl of beans and rice provide some good tasting nourishment for the body after the heart and soul are enriched by Jones' words and performance. Bob Devin Jones will be replaced by



Photo/Chris Drew

Bob Devin Jones and Harley White in "Uncle Bends: a home-cooked negro narrative," directed by Roberta Levitow, playing at STC through May 28.

Erick Ray Evans beginning April 4 when Jones leaves the show to direct August Wilson's *The Piano Lesson* in Memphis.

Ticket prices are \$25 on Friday and Saturday evening, and \$22 for all other regular

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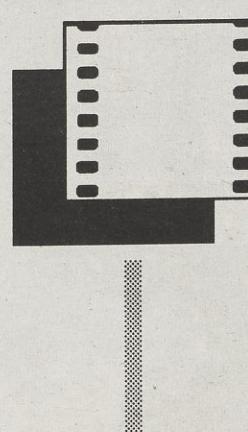
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UNDER THE DOME

Hand to Hand project makes appeal to community

by Diane Bader

MGW/Guest Writer

For 12 years, the Hand to Hand Project of the Sacramento AIDS Foundation has been training people from within and around the community to give emotional and practical support to clients living with HIV and AIDS. As the face of AIDS changes within our community, so does the need for help from volunteers. We are finding that more and more of our clients have the "emotional support" they need in their lives, but there is a tremendous need for "practical support".

In a conversation with Troy Stauss, H2H Program Director, he told of a client that recently called to request help in mowing his lawn. The client was reluctant to ask for help, but felt that he simply had no other choice. He said that his yard has always been one of the few places that he felt safe and at peace. He also said that it is very important for me to mow 1/2 of my lawn, because I still can, but I will need

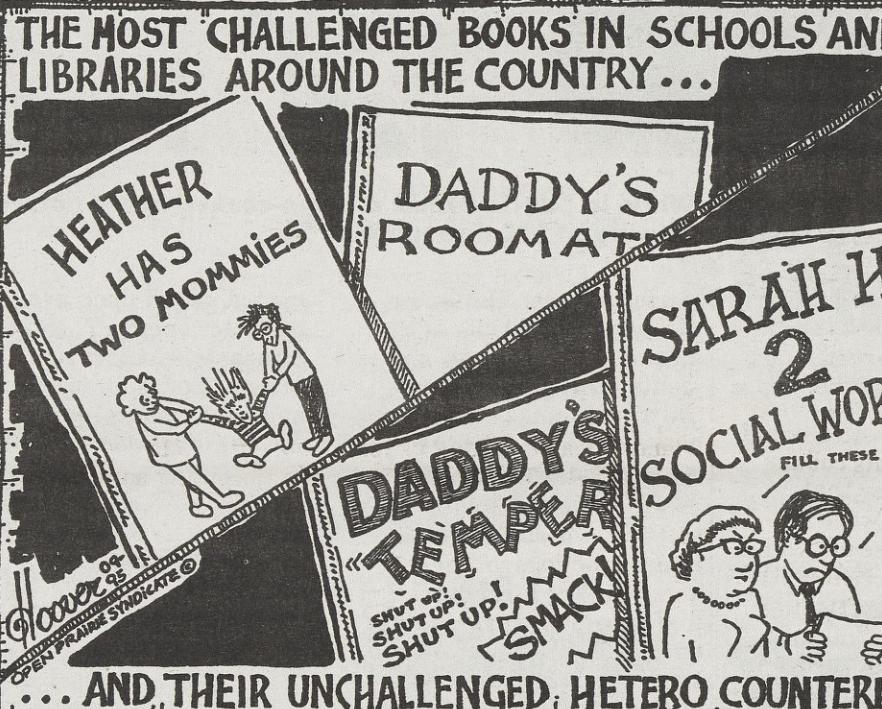
help finishing the other half, I just get too tired. It would also be nice if whomever comes out would like to sit and have a glass of ice tea with me and enjoy our work. This is just one example of an ever growing need for volunteers to do these kinds of "practical" tasks. Clients are also asking for help with raking leaves, planting flowers, walking dogs, house-cleaning, cooking a meal, transportation assistance to

and from appointments, cutting hair, etc.

These are everyday tasks that most of us take for granted, but they can be overwhelming for people with AIDS. You can volunteer for one job or one job a week. Whatever works for your schedule will be accommodated.

Jacki Nelson, Volunteer Coordinator, says that the threat of funding cuts and a greater number of clients also makes the need for volunteer service greater than ever. In addition to direct client service, there is an immense need for volunteers within the agency itself to help out with clerical support, and special events, etc.

If you can help call Jacki or Troy at 448-2494. Sometimes the most precious gift to give is your time! ▼



I What are you Worth?

S.F. AIDS agencies introduce HIV prevention campaign

A new print and television HIV-prevention campaign created by four San Francisco social service agencies targets substance users with self-image enhancing messages designed to support their ability to reduce their risk for HIV infection. The 20-week, multi-phased campaign, titled "I Am Worth ...," kicks off with a series of billboards, bus shelter posters, point of purchase posters, 15- and 30-second public services announcements, and a three-minute educational video.

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Select training equipment carefully

by Joan B. Guertin
MGW/Staff

The call came just hours before the new puppy class was to start. My client had been looking forward to starting with her new Ridgeback pup as she had such a good time training her last dog. Then, tragedy struck... due to faulty equipment... a puppy bolted... a collar snapped... the puppy ran into the street... and a puppy died!

Choosing the right equipment for our dogs and using it properly may make the difference as to our ability to properly and effectively train our dogs. And, in some cases, may make the difference between life and death for our dogs. Too many people have little or no knowledge of how to put collars on correctly; the proper placement for effective control and what is important, they are not getting the advice that they need. I know of dogs that go all the way through training class without the trainer checking that the collar is on right. I get people coming to my classes with equipment too big for their dog or with poor information on how to use the equipment. That is why I feel that this column is so important.

How do you choose the right equipment for your dog? First of all, don't buy a big collar for a dog to grow into. Most dogs will go through at least three sizes before they mature. A puppy needs a collar that fits snugly, right behind the ears. A quick twist of the head and a loose collar slides right over the ears... and, oops, loose puppy. The collar that snapped on my client's Ridgeback pup was one of the "quick release" collars. They are easy to close, and are supposed to have a tensile strength of 200 lbs. What they don't tell you is that is a

steady pull. When a dog lunges, hits the end of the leash, the sharp snap will cause the catch to release. Again, loose dog and possible tragedy. While it takes a bit longer to put on, the old reliable "buckle-on" type of collar is much more reliable; assuming, of course, that you have it buckled high and snug.

The choke chain is another collar that is often misused. This is a working



tool. It should be used when the dog is actually being worked and is supervised. It is not the collar that you put tags on. The dog's ID should go on the buckle collar that the dog wears all of the time. The choke collar should also fit properly; high, behind the ears and under the jaw with the leash attached to the running end of the collar passed over the top of the dog's neck and coming off the right side of the neck. This allows for easy slip for

corrections rather than staying tight all of the time. There should be only 2" of slack when the collar is snug. This keeps the collar high and off the windpipe (see diagram). Also, when the collar is high, the handler has control of the dog's head, therefore, you control the dog. Collars that rest around the shoulders mean that you are dealing with the full weight of the dog.

Leashes should be narrow enough that when you take up slack and have a wad of nylon or leather in your hand, you can still close your hand. Now you can control the dog.

actual pulling of the hair which is then painful to the dog and leads to resistance. The pinch/prong collar will stay in place, the hair won't tangle and the dog will be manageable and will learn. Also, be advised that this collar opens and is not put on over the dog's head.

Some of the little dogs, the toys and lap dogs such as Chihuahua, Poodle, Lhaso, Dachshund and the snubbed nose dogs such as Bull Dogs, Boston, Pug and Pekinese will often fight the choke collar and I have had very good luck using the rolled leather collar.

When buying equipment, shop at a store where the clerks are knowledgeable. Too often I am getting feedback that some of the larger, warehouse type of stores use very young students who really don't understand the equipment or its use. This makes for problems. For instance, one client was disturbed because

she was told by a clerk that she should put the pinch collar on over the head, but carefully so that the prongs didn't jab the dog in the eyes. Fortunately, she waited until she came to class to get my help before putting the collar on. If you don't get the information that you need and question the knowledge of the clerk, ask to see a manager. If the manager doesn't know... then we are really in trouble. Of course, if you have any questions, you can always give me a call at 485-2201. I'll be happy to help you.

Remember the CCI Crab Feast on April 8. The food is great, the cause is worthy and you'll enjoy the company of some fun folks. There is always a really good raffle, so you could come away with a full belly and some nice prizes. Call 878-7399 or 722-4243 for tickets. Advance sales only and seating is limited. I'll be there and I can eat LOTS OF CRAB! ▼

Bone appetit

The newsletter, *DogGone*, about fun places to go and cool stuff to do with your dog, sniffs out three pet-friendly restaurants for their March/April 1995 issue. Health department regulations prohibit dogs from actually going inside, but these establishments don't mind if your well-behaved canine accompanies you on their outside patios and verandahs.

"When travelling," says *DogGone* publisher Wendy Ballard, "we've been pleasantly surprised at the number of al fresco eateries that say, 'no problem,' to our friendly beagle joining us for lunch." Take The Colonial Inn in Concord, Massachusetts, that permits a select number of dogs on their verandah for luncheon or high tea. CoCo's Sidewalk Cafe in Bal Harbour, Florida, has served elegant clients and their small pets for 17 years. New York City's Barking Dog

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The March/April 1995 issue includes tips on canoeing with your dog, and article on upcoming summer camp for dogs in Wisconsin and "Agility: The Fun Sport For All Dogs."

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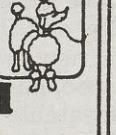
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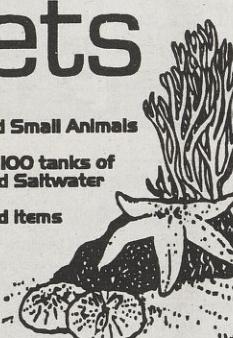
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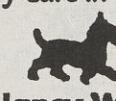
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HIV NEWSLINE

On the HIV front...

By Sonya Cox
AIDS/HIV Editor

Distorted AZT report unduly alarms local PWAs...

In a rare lapse of judgment, the Sacramento Bee recently reprinted an article from "Newsday" inferring that AZT may accelerate disease progression, and that cumulative dosage and duration of AZT therapy can lead to AZT resistance and an earlier death. The reprinted article, filled with inaccuracies, reported on a study published in the March 15 Annals of Internal Medicine and brought unnecessary confusion and alarm into the lives of local readers with AIDS and those who care about them.

A detailed, accurate report on the study results from local physicians Neil Flynn and Jody Gordon will appear both in the *Sacramento Bee's* editorial section (hopefully before this MGW is printed), and in the April 1 issue of the CARES newsletter (call 443-3299 for a copy if you are not a regular recipient). If local PWAs (people with AIDS) have further questions, they're encouraged to discuss them with their care provider. A brief response to several excerpts from the Bee article follows (article quotes are in italics):

(1) "AIDS patients whose viruses develop resistance to AZT are nearly three times more likely to die within a

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Gary Louis Vismara

At his home in Orangevale, Gary Louis Vismara entered into eternity on Tuesday, March 21, 1995 with his friend and lover Donald Baptista at his side. Born May 3, 1956 in Oakland to Jeanette Hudson Vismara and Louis Vismara he will be remembered for his generosity, his kind spirit and his loving affection. He attended local schools in Hayward and lived for many years there and in Fremont before relocating to the Sacramento area in 1990. In addition to Don, he is survived by his mother Jeanette Vismara of Auburn, and sisters Sharon Wegener of Auburn and Linda Rutler of Ukiah. He was preceded in death by his father and many dear friends. Don, Gary's mother and sisters his Aunt LaVerne VanHagen and friends Beth Pridham, Eric Holmes and Al Jensen were with Gary during his last few days. Faithful canine kids Bo and

year than those who... haven't taken the drug."

(2) "Scientists... fear the drug may actually be pushing the HIV virus to mutate more rapidly — not only acquiring the ability to resist AZT, but also making the disease proceed more rapidly as well."

Drs. Flynn and Gordon say these two statements are simply inaccurate — the Annals study didn't even look at people who hadn't taken AZT. And although patients with highly resistant virus did do less well (to a great extent because the average T-cell count of study participants was 48), the study showed that their decline in health had nothing to do with how long they'd been on AZT. Regarding the second quote, neither the Annals article, nor the only scientist quoted in the article, said anything of the kind.

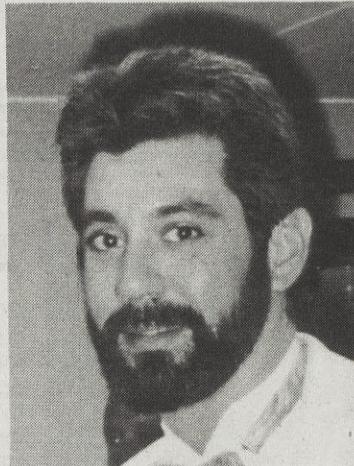
(3) "Researchers found that patients whose HIV had developed resistance to AZT were 2.78 times more likely to die within a year regardless of what course of subsequent treatment was followed: continued AZT use, switching to DDI, or cessation of all anti-HIV drugs."

This is simply wrong. Patients with high resistance to AZT in fact have an improved prognosis after switching to DDI in this study. Their improved prognosis is worse than patients with no viral resistance to AZT, but again, it has nothing to do with how long they've been on AZT.

(4) "Two disturbing trends... First, DDI seemed to help patients whose virus was not AZT resistant, even those who had never taken AZT...."

This is true, but it's a mystery why this is disturbing to anyone. In fact, the study showed

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tions in his memory may be made to the Sacramento AIDS Foundation, 920 20th St., 2nd floor, Sacramento 95814. ▼

Scott (Scooter) Linn

A memorial service for John Scott (Scooter) Linn, who had lived in Sacramento until moving to Guerneville several years ago, will be held on Saturday, April 8, at 2:00 at the Community Church on Armstrong Woods Road in Guerneville. His family may be reached at 725-2109 or 969-4665. A remembrance of Scooter will appear in the next issue of MGW. ▼

that switching to DDI helped in BOTH patients with and without AZT resistant virus. This simply means that DDI may be useful in ways we'd not previously recognized. The article failed to point out another useful part of the study: that AZT resistance may be a useful prognosis marker and may lead to other therapies in the future.

Drs. Flynn and Gordon point out that because the group studied has advanced AIDS, the findings have no meaning for people with higher CD4 counts. Further, numerous studies show that AZT may delay progression of HIV disease, and NO study has shown that AZT accelerates progression. And although AZT may or may not delay death in some patients, NO study has shown that AZT hastens death. This study, say the Sacramento physicians, gives us absolutely no reason to change current recommendations on use of AZT.

107 drugs now on the market...

Five new AIDS drugs were approved last year, more than any previous year. America's pharmaceutical research companies now have 107 AIDS medicines in development. Of these, 26 are now approved for AIDS conditions; ten years ago there were none. In addition, 81 companies are now committed to AIDS drug development, twice as many as five years ago. The list includes 45 anti-virals, 8 cytokines, 13 immuno-modulators, 16 anti-infectives, and 11 vaccines. "While there is still no cure," says the president of Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America, "the surge in research activity, and the resulting increase in new drugs being developed, has made AIDS a more treatable chronic disease."

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Sacramento readers are invited to add the names of their loved ones to MGW's remembrance column. Please call 648-1120 at least 30 days prior to the anniversary month of your loss. ▼

HOME IMPROVEMENT

Taking care of your lawn and garden doesn't have to be a burden

by Scott Smoot
MGW/Staff

Third in a series ...

Now that you've prepared your soil and placed all your plants in the right places, you can take a moment to admire your new creation before you develop the next phase — maintaining it.

But, it doesn't have to be a major burden, if you do a little at a time. Go into the garden everyday, even if it's for just a few moments.

Groom it, pick a few weeds or dead blooms each time. Dead blooms make the plants work harder, so if you pinch about two to three inches below the dead blossoms but before a leaf, you'll get healthier, fuller plants.

The key element in maintaining a good-looking garden is water and you should develop a sensible water strategy. Most people over-water their lawns and gardens, so it's a good idea to set up a schedule. Grass only needs about one inch of water at a time and if the soil is moist, tree roots won't be looking for water. Here's the recommended schedule with lawns that have installed sprinklers: every other day 10 to 15 minutes.

Shrubs do not like to be watered daily. Several times a week for longer periods of time is sufficient to keep

your grass short encourages weeds and needs more water. Another trick to a better looking lawn is to mow in a different direction each time you cut to avoid grooves and ruts. And, a sharp mower blade provides a neat, manicured look.

To carry that well taken care look to your shrubs and

them healthy and happy. It's also important to keep the grass level between



2½ to 3½ inches. Longer grass holds moisture and discourages weeds. Keeping

bushes, you should select carefully. For instance, if you want to use the shrub as a

hedge that will need to be trimmed regularly, choose one with small leaves. If you pick a shrub with large leaves, trimming will leave nothing but bare branches and chopped leaves. You also get a more pleasing look if you do your pruning and shaping by hand. Snip and shape in a way that will avoid having to cut every leaf.

As part of your maintenance program, be sure to fluff the soil throughout the gardening season so it stays loose and the water can penetrate.

If it happens that you discover you may have made a mistake in locating a plant or bush in a place that is too sunny or shady and you want to move, take some precautions.

Don't transplant if the temperature is over 90 degrees, especially if you are planting in full sun. During transplanting, the plant sweats and brings its water to the surface and it wilts. Transplanting is just like humans, if they can't get water they will shut down.

So, here are some tips. Give the plant some vitamin B-12 when you are transplanting, it will help it resist the shock. Once you have completed the transplant, place a shade cloth that keeps the sun out over the plant for a week or so until it adjusts to its new home and condition.

Other maintenance methods include fertilizing lightly every six to eight weeks, and this year especially, be sure to keep your snail bait handy. All the rain and flooding are the perfect conditions for these creatures to proliferate so expect to lots of them. You'll have to bait them every two to three weeks. Remember they love petunias and marigolds, and your garden could be gourmet dining for them. Happy Gardening! ▼

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Burger King:

National owner has donated large sums to anti-gay and fundamentalist far right religious zealots. Local owner Joe Lal destroyed Sac. News & Review's papers and newsstands in 1994 because of Gay & Lesbian personal ads.

Carl's Jr.:

Owner Karl Karcher has donated large sums to anti-gay causes.

Curran, Hitomi Marketing Agency:

Owner Marilyn Curran wrote to MGW and demanded to be taken off the PR mailing list. MGW routinely mails copies of the newspaper to all ad agencies.

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Rev. Phillip G. Goudeaux is active in hate with Rev. Lou Sheldon.

Lithographics:

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Salinas SILVER GREY HAIR: Rod, 49, 6', 160, silver grey hair, iso friends with gay men in the area north to SF, and south to SD - enjoy travelling #36378

Antioch CHRIS19 filipino male 5'10 165, blk;brn nice outgoing, interested give me a call. #27380

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#28588

Citrus Hts SALT AND PEPPER HAIR: Ken, 43, male, 6', 160, long salt and pepper hair with mustache, like to meet some guys in the area, like to get together and see what happens, #31372

Sacramento VERSATILE TOP: Bob, early 30s versatile top in the area,

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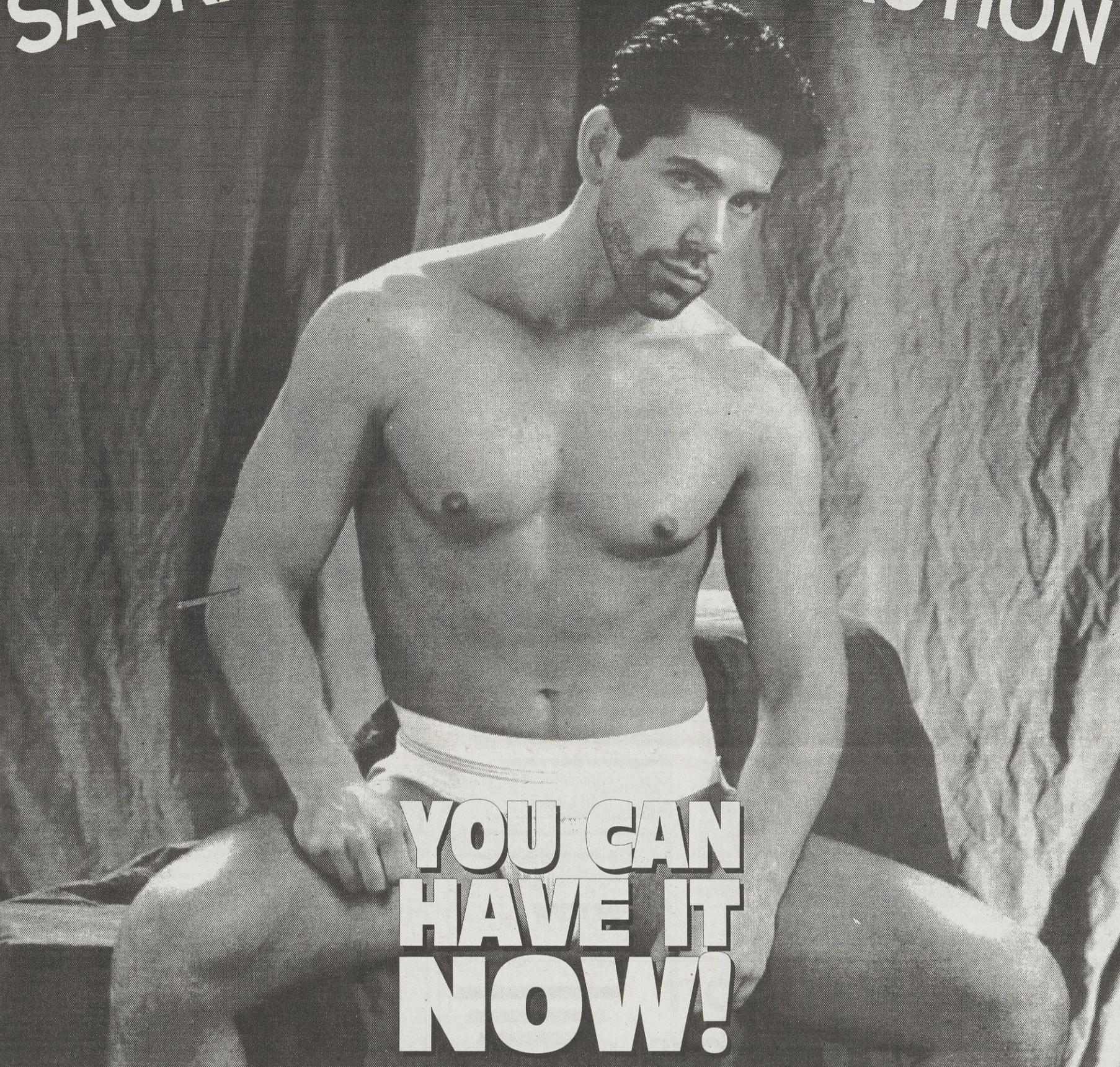
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Attorneys

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LAW OFFICES OF ANDREW LAST, 2310 J St., #C, 446-5574

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WHITNEY & KILICK FINANCIAL SERVICES, 2321 Lloyd Ln., 486-8985

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PHOENIX RISING HAIR DESIGN, 3193 Riverside Blvd., 443-5478.

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OLGA'S HOUSEHOLD SERVICES AGENCY, 453-0762

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House for rent: 3 BR, 1½ BA, pool, 2 car gar, nr wharf, Norwood/Bell. Gary 921-1837. TPN

Apartments & Houses for Rent, Whisler Land Company, 448-1999. TPN

Hair station for rent to a stylist with a clientele. Crazy Razr, midtown. Dianne, 446-3790. TPN

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Hard Daddy XX video, 40 y.o. + in 2 hot hours \$40; Altomar, 1500 W. El Camino Ave., 13-114 Sacramento, CA 95833 (brochures included) x4/15

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CALENDAR

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1 SATURDAY

DYKES OUT TOGETHER BBQ potluck and planning meeting. Karen 989-4211.

WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE? 3-act AIDS awareness drama benefitting Auburn office of SAF. 8pm, Auburn Arts Center, 175 Almond St., Auburn, Info, Trendsetter's Hair Design, 823-2131.

CASINO NIGHT & MORE April Fools Day benefit for SAF. The Townhouse, 1517 21st St., 441-5122.

YOUTH SOCIAL 8pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

SLEAZE EASY '95 Cabaret and casino night celebrating SF women in leather. The King Street Garage, 174 King St., SF, 415-974-6020.

EAGLES WALKING GROUP Join Sacramento's Gay & Lesbian Seniors in a walk from Discovery Park to Old Sacramento and the Downtown Mall. 10am, 991-2420.

OUT FOR LAUGHS Lesbian & Gay Comedy Night with Karen Riley, Danny Williams, Becki Vanden Berghe, Susie Berger, Maureen Brownsey. Happy Hour 7pm, Show 8pm, The State Theatre, 1307 J St. Modesto, BACW, CVC, Marian, 209-577-3169.

50'S SOCK HOP Dance your socks off to benefit Clothes Closet Project. 7:30-11:30pm, Towe Ford Museum, 2200 front St. 446-5198.

KAISER L/G EMPLOYEES General meeting and Dinner Social, 3pm, Morse Ave. Commons Bldg., Rm. 17. Eileen Riley, 468-5488.

BEING GAY TODAY, Outrageous #4. Sac Cable Channel 17, 10am.

COMMUNITY CELEBRATION & GRAND OPENING Sacramento's New Convention Center, free admission, 14th & J Sts, 264-5291.

SPRING PLANT SALE Plants, arrangements and pots. 10am-5pm, Shepard Garden and Arts Center, 3330 McKinley Blvd., 443-9413.

WEEKEND STREET FAIR Arts, crafts, food & fun. Benefits Sierra College, Sierra College Campus, 5000 Rocklin Rd. Rocklin, 773-5659.

FBI AGENT FRANK BUTTINO The former special agent addresses the SF MCC, 7pm, 150 Eureka St at 18th, SF, 415-863-4434.

MODEL RAILROAD SHOW Thunder Mountain Modular Railroad Club, a benefit for the Folsom History Museum, Nimbus Winery Shopping Center, 12401 Folsom Blvd., Rancho Cordova, 953-8100.

ACCESS SACRAMENTO SILENT AUCTION Used audio/video equipment, benefits cable TV's Access Sacramento. 10am-3pm, Coloma Community center, 4623 T St, 456-8500, ext. 132.

2 SUNDAY

DYKES OUT TOGETHER Bike ride. Karen 989-4211.

WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE? 3-act AIDS awareness drama benefitting Auburn office of SAF. 2pm, Auburn Arts Center, 175 Almond St., Auburn, Info, Trendsetter's Hair Design, 823-2131.

EAGLES BICYCLING GROUP Join Sacramento's Gay & Lesbian Seniors in a leisurely bicycle ride, stopping for pastries and coffee when the mood hits. 10am, Roy, 641-8460.

AA MEETING 11am, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

OLD SACRAMENTO SPRING COLLECTORS' FAIR, Over 300 antique, jewelry and collectible dealers. 7am-4pm, 558-3912.

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MARTIN STONER, VIOLINIST In concert, 3-4pm, Crocker Art Museum, 216 O St, 264-7372.

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BIRD WALK, 1:30pm, Effie Yeaw Nature Center, 489-4918.

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3 MONDAY

CAPITOL AIDS WALK '95 Committee meeting, volunteers welcome! 6-7pm, SAF, 920 20th St., 2nd Floor, Georgia, 448-2437.

Men's Coming Out Group 5:30pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

ESPERANTO CLASS, 7pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

GALLERIES

Archival Framing Gallery, Andrew Martin and Craig N. Smith, April 4-29; "Gone Fishin'...4" Ed Novinsky, D.L. Thomas, John Landgraf, Margaret Maye, Christopher Dewees, May 2-June 3; Terence Baxter, paintings & Craig Smith, small sculpture, June 5-July 1; "Introductions '95" July 5-30, 1729 O St, 444-9624.

African-American Art Gallery, featuring Haitian artists and Accra, Ghana West African Artists, 3449 Watt Ave, 485-4516.

Barbetta's Beads, "Figure and Face" group show, April 8-30; Arthur Balderrama - new works, May 13-31; "Neosemakers" group show, Jun 10-30, 2316 J St, 443-4959.

Big Art, New works by Trudy Thekla and Lauren Dan Kline, April 4 - May 5, 1928 L St, 446-2740.

Blooming Art, A Decade of Design, Scottish graphic artist Tom McKeith; Bluewater Avery, acrylics, 1901 Capitol Ave., 442-3800.

Crocker Art Museum, No. Calif. Youth Art Month Exhibition, thru May 14; Noh Masks by Adam Zollinger & the Ariake Mask Group of Japan, March 24-May 14; Roi Partridge etchings, thru May 7 216 O St, 444-7372.

Duke's Coffee Gallery, 2416 16th St, 444-5563.

Fine Eye Gallery, Barb Campbell, clay primitives, thru April 30, 71 Main St., Sutter Creek, 209-267-0571.

Eichelberger's Gay & Lesbian Artist Alliance Show, thru April 22, 2742 17th St, SF, 415-863-4177.

CALL GALLERY FOR HOURS, ETC.



Teddy Bears rally in Nevada City

International Teddy Bear Convention will be in Nevada City on April 7, 8 and 9 at the Historic Miners' Foundry in the Victorian Museum at 203 Pine St. Info: 265-5804.

PEACE CORPS ORIENTATION 7-9pm, Newman Center, 5900 Newman Ct, 800-424-8580

LEAGUE CONFERENCE AT&T Employees celebrate 20 years of anti-discrimination at their annual conference. SF, Al Parso, 415-442-2311.

CHILD CUSTODY TELECONFERENCE Sharon Lynne Bottoms and April Wade discuss their case, 7pm, EST, 1-800-275-9447.

AA Meeting 7:30pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

DRUMMERS OF BURUNDI African drum and dance troupe, 8pm, Freeborn Hall, UCD, 757-3199.

COUNTRY WESTERN DANCING, Lessons 7:30; dancing until 10pm, \$2 donation, Central United Methodist Church, 53rd & H St. Info: 452-5016.

YOUTH GROUP 5:30pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

CAFE LAMBDA Open Mic Nite. Come and visit with old friends and make new ones. 8pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

FIREBIRD/RITE OF SPRING Sacramento Ballet, 8pm, Convention Center Theatre, 14th & L Sts, 264-5181.

MELONNEE DESIREÉ & THE PROMISES, 1320 Del Paso Blvd., North Sac, 9pm, 456-8134.

WOMEN MAKING MUSIC Judy Fjell, Crystal Reeves, Judith May and more. Bishop's Ranch Retreat, near Healdsburg, 707-974-2420.

BEING GAY TODAY, Lesbian comics Amy Boyd & Carla Carmona; Franklin Anderson of Lambda Center's Men of Color and AIDS Response programs; Ron Cooper, Executive Director of Access Sacramento. Sac. Cable Channel 17, 4pm.

TEEDY BEAR CONVENTION Celebrate with the bears as they come out of hibernation. Seventy exhibitors, food and entertainment. Held in Nevada City, call for times and event locations, 265-5804.

CAMPING WOMEN, dinner and meeting. Dinner, 6:7:15pm, meeting 7:30. Carrows Restaurant, 10th & S Sts, Gail, 689-9326.

STAND UP FOR THE HOMELESS Comedy show, 7:30pm, The Crest, 1013 K St, 442-7378.

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ATHEISTS AND OTHER FREETHINKERS General meeting, Sierra 2 Community Center, Bldg., 10, 2791 24th St., 446-2840.

SUTTER STREET FAIR Antiques and collectibles, Sutter St. Folsom, 622-7349.

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FREEDOM FAIR COMMITTEE MEETING Volunteer to be a part of the '95 Fair, 6:30pm, Lambda Center, 1921 L St, 442-0185.

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BEING GAY TODAY, Momentum TV goes to the LA Summit of the National Black Lesbian & Gay Leadership Forum and an interview with NARAL Executive Director Kate Michelman and Outlook Video. Sac. Cable Channel 17, 4pm.

SPRING JUBILEE Special animal activities, 11am-2pm, Sacramento Zoo, 3930 W. Land Park Dr., 264-5885.

KENNEL CLUB SHOW 7am-4pm, Cal Expo, 973-8333.

SACRAMENTO SYMPHONY, Marin Alsop, conductor; Eugene Fodor, violin, 8pm, Community Center, 449-6940.

EAGLES WALKING GROUP Join Sacramento's Gay & Lesbian Seniors in a walk from Discovery Park to Old Sacramento and the Downtown Mall. 10am, 991-2420.

WOMEN'S COMING OUT GROUP, 6pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

THE ARTS OF ASIA, lecture series devoted to the arts from India to Thailand. 10am. Crocker Forum, 216 O St, 264-5423.

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COMMON SENSE DOG TRAINING, 6 week course with Joan Guerin, 6:30pm Puppy Kindergarten, 6:30pm Beginning Obedience, 7:30pm Intermediate. West Sacramento, 485-2201.

CAPITAL CITY SQUARES, Basic Square Dance Class with mainstream and plus tips, 6:30pm, Jefferson School, 2001 Pebblewood Dr., South Natomas, George, 929-8697.

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